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THE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP BY THE NEWS MAN.

Wasn't it a poor Sunday for Easter bonnets?

The Chorus meets this evening with Mrs. C. O. Foster.

Gotthard Carlson is at home from U. of M. for the Easter vacation.

Mrs. Leslie Mason and son are visiting her aunt, Mrs. I. W. Ames.

N. R. Springer was in Portland last week to attend the Conference.

Mr. L. B. Hopkins of Boston, spent Easter with his wife in Bethel.

The Ladies' Aid will meet with Mrs. C. O. Foster, Thursday, April 19.

Miss Cleo Russell returned to her school on Hurricane Island last Saturday.

Mr. Wm. Kendall is making repairs on his house on Mechanic street.

Miss True is in Bangor visiting her mother and sister Mrs. Dr. Bryant.

Mrs. Burgess and son are to occupy a rent in Mrs. Roxanna Bean's house.

Mrs. Eva Rowe Fox went to Bryant Pond, Tuesday afternoon to care for Mrs. John Howe.

The W. R. C. will hold a supper in Pattee's hall to-morrow night. Free social in the evening.

The Ladies' Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Angella Clark to-morrow afternoon (Thursday.)

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Yates were guests of Mr. Yates' sister, Mrs. E. L. Arno, a few days last week.

Mrs. Susan Chapman, who has spent the past few weeks in Percy, N. H., returned to Bethel last week.

The many friends of Miss Florence Mercier are pleased to see her home from the hospital and wish her a rapid return to health.

Prof. F. E. Hanscom is to be one of the judges at the Junior Prize Speaking Contest of the Norway High School next Friday night.

Miss Lutie Fox, Mrs. Clarence Fox, Mrs. N. F. Brown, Miss Ethel Morse and Mrs. E. L. Arno attended the Conference in Portland last week.

Mrs. O. Mason returned, Thursday from South Portland, where she has been for a number of months. She was accompanied by her daughter, Alice.

E. E. Demeritt has purchased the house in Norway which for the past few years has been used as a Home for aged Women. It is understood that he will take possession at once.

The members of Hose Co. No. 1 will give a grand ball in Odeon Hall on the evening of May 3. An orchestra of six pieces will furnish music and a right good time is anticipated.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Bartlett of South Framingham, Mass., will sympathize deeply with them in their bereavement, the death of their three year old son. Cause of death was meningitis.

Mrs. Orville D. Clough suffered a slight shock Monday afternoon. Mrs. Clough has been in ill health for the past two years and friends of the family are pained to hear of this ill turn.

A private sale of all the furnishings of the Howard House is taking place and will continue until the 25th. The sale includes carpets, bedding, furniture, in fact the complete furnishings.

Rev. F. B. Schoonover returned from Portland, Sunday night where he had been attending the Conference. Bethel people will be pleased to know that he is to remain in town another year.

It will be noted that the Bethel Savings Bank and the National Bank beginning with Saturday, April 21st, 1906, will close to business on Saturdays at one o'clock p. m., remaining open until that time including the noon hour on Saturdays. This is the custom with all banks, Saturday afternoon being a legal half holiday for banks by statute.

Mr. Walter Clark, who is employed in the yard of the Bethel Chair Factory, had the misfortune to break his thumb yesterday while rolling logs.

Grand View Commandery U. O. of G. C. will hold their regular meeting at the home of Alice Farwell, Monday evening, April 23, 1906, at 7:30 o'clock.

There will be a drill meeting of the degree staff of Sunset Rebekah Lodge, Monday evening, April 23, and a full attendance of the members of the staff is desired.

Mrs. Olive Young, who has been sick a number of months has sufficiently recovered to be about her room and to meet with the family in the dining room. She gains slowly but steadily, which interested ones will be pleased to know.

Mr. Arthur Lambert who has been employed as night operator at the G. T. station for a number of months has closed his work in Bethel. Mr. and Mrs. Lambert returned to their home in St. Agapit, Que., Monday night.

Mrs. Anna M. Farwell who has been with her son Elery in Roslindale, Mass., since last summer is recovering from an operation recently performed. It was at first thought that there were no hopes of recovery but latest reports say that if the present improvement continues she will be able to leave the hospital in a short time.

The Grand Trunk station from April 17 will close at 6:30 p. m. with the exception of the time of the incoming train at 9:30 p. m. All persons desiring to take the early morning train will find it necessary to purchase tickets the day previous before 6:30 p. m.

Miss Marguerite Finney of Norway, underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Lewiston hospital last week. Her mother, Mrs. Dr. Bradbury, has been with her the greater part of the time since the operation.

The Columbian Club will meet on Friday afternoon at half past two with Mrs. D. S. Hastings. As this is the last meeting of the season it will be in part given to business and there will be the annual election of officers.

The following letters were advertised Apr. 14:
Miss May Gaudet.
John A. McFarlane.

Mr. Kellogg's Recital.

It was indeed a pleasure to listen to such a delightful entertainment as that given by Charles Dennison Kellogg, the man of wonderful art and peculiar gifts in imitating the songs of birds. All the accessories of the summer garden with the summer and the garden left out, were there. The birds trilled their sweetest notes, but the trills were from the throat of Mr. Kellogg. It seemed that one must observe a feathered songster tripping across the stage, so realistic were the imitations of the bird notes.

Imitations is not the word that should be used in describing Mr. Kellogg's performances, however. They are reproductions—exact duplicates of the sounds uttered by the birds. In admiration for birds and considerate treatment of them Mr. Kellogg may be placed in the same class with Ernest Thompson Seton. Mr. Kellogg hunts out the birds, and learns all he can about them. He does not capture them or do them harm. He merely listens and observes, approaches the habitat of the birds behind a straw stack or some other illusory object, places his phonograph in position to catch the sweet notes as they come forth, or tunes his air to catch the bird song. In one of the many ways that he has, Mr. Kellogg obtains a complete record of the warbling. Mr. Kellogg's faithful camera is also brought into requisition, and with it he gets many interesting pictures.

Mr. Kellogg has spent some time in the wildest part of Nova Scotia. Here he studied the birds as much as he liked. He gives a thrilling account of Bird Island, in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. This island literally swarms with birds of many varieties. Mr. Kellogg and a companion had many adventures before leaving the island.

Mr. Kellogg's gift is wonderful, as he reproduces all the bird songs with his own vocal chords. For half an hour he entertained his audience last night. The phonograph enables him to remember the songs exactly as they were produced. He is going to write a book describing what he has seen and heard about birds.—Rochester Union & Advertiser.

BUSINESS POINTERS.

Business Readers will be published in this column at eight cents per line, reckoning seven words to the line.

I saw it among the Business Pointers.

H. M. Upton has a pair of young heavy horses to sell, also sleds and harness.

Electric Pocket Lamps and batteries for the same at King's.

Edison Phonographs and records, horns etc. King's.

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Bicycles and sundries. King's.

Moving pictures at Kellogg's lecture, in Odeon Hall, Saturday evening, April 28.

Easter at the Churches.

UNIVERSALIST.

At the Universalist church there was a full observance of Easter. The Sunrise meeting held at 6:30 o'clock was led by Mrs. E. S. Kilborn in a way which made it most interesting and helpful. There was a good number present in spite of the rain and mud. Since the inauguration of this Sunrise meeting by the young people of the church, it has been made a union meeting by invitation extended to the young people of the other village church societies to attend and take part. Several from other societies were present last Sunday and assisted in making the meeting successful.

The regular forenoon preaching service was made a special Easter service with an appropriate sermon and with a special program of music, including a finely rendered solo by Miss Jane Gibson. The attendance at this meeting was excellent. Following the preaching service, seven new members added to the church membership, after which holy communion was observed. The entire service was most impressive. Several more have signified their intention to unite with the church soon.

In the evening there was given an excellent Easter concert. The program was largely musical although there were numerous recitations by the younger members of the Sunday school. Notwithstanding the bad weather, the church was practically filled. The programme included a pretty Easter exercise with solos and duets. The chorus work was excellent.

Withal the day was as complete in the observance of Easter as could be desired, and its marked success in every way is most encouraging to all interested in the church in general, for what helps one church in our community helps all.

The church decorations were very attractive, including many potted plants and cut flowers, with some pretty memorial pieces,—one in memory of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Womell and one in memory of the late Mrs. B. K. Swift.

CONGREGATIONAL.

Despite the drizzling rain of the day a good sized audience was in attendance at the Easter service. The church was prettily decorated with Easter lilies, pinks, ferns, evergreens and potted plants.

Special music was rendered by a large choir and the sweet anthems of praise together with the very appropriate sermon must prove an inspiration for higher living to all present. Mr. H. S. Pushard very pleasingly sang the beautiful solo an "Easter Song."

METHODIST.

At the Methodist church no services were held as the pastor and a number of the people were in Portland attending the Conference.

Gould's Academy Notes.

The members of the Senior class have been assigned class parts for graduation as follows:

Salutatory—John H. Carter.
Valedictory—Mabel Abbott.
Oration—J. Harold Young.

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Kellogg Lecture--Recital

BY

CHARLES DENNISON KELLOGG

AT

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Ode—Grace Kendall.

The Seniors have been very fortunate in engaging the Sicilian Quartette of Portland for the Commencement concert.

The committee for selecting the class gift consists of the following members: Mabel Gleason, chairman, John Carter, Marion Dyer.

The first division of this term's speaking declaimed last Friday.

The Athletic Association of Gould's Academy is to support a base ball team this spring, and all those interested are working hard to make the team as strong and fast as possible. A good schedule has been arranged, and we hope all friends interested in the school will take an interest in the games played at Riverside Park, and make the attendance much larger than that of former seasons. The following is the schedule:

Apr. 28, Gorham High at Gorham.
Apr. 28, Berlin High at Bethel.
May 6, Bridgton Academy at Bethel.
May 12, Berlin High at Berlin.
May 19, Norway High at Bethel.
May 26, Gorham High at Bethel.
May 31, Moulton Academy at Bethel.
June 2, Norway High at Norway.
June 3, Alumni at Bethel.

Millinery Opening.

The opening at the millinery parlors of Heiber & Durand last week was very well attended and a goodly number of hats sold although the weather and travelling were any thing but propitious for such an event.

As these ladies have spent considerable time in the New York markets and millinery rooms the designs displayed were equal to the best as to style and finish and many who attended expressed themselves as much pleased with the display. Before coming to Bethel, Mrs. Heiber who is now in charge of this store, was with John Palmer of Portland which speaks well for her ability in her line of work.

A novelty in the line of hats is the "boulevard" a round shape o bronze green trimmed with a wreath of forget-me-nots. Another pleasing shape is one made from the "Hood" so called, although to the uninitiated the word hood seems out of place. The style is made in solid braid and is really proving very desirable. Many fancy braids will be used during the season also quantities of tulle, chiffon, feathers and wings. All the goods in these parlors are new and up to date and the most fastidious will find what she is looking for, be it a ready-to-wear, or dress hat.

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A Gaelic Chieftain's Wooing

By EDWARD STRATTON HOLLOWAY.

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Not only had Torcall no love in his heart for Ardanna, princess of the Frith of Brinn; but there had come to him the whisper of another name, and when Olaf, his father, over-lord in Brinn of the men of Lochann, had again urged Ardanna upon him, he turned away in distaste as soon as he might, grasped his weapons and sped away to the chase.

Yet here he was, his back to a rowan tree, his eyes unseeing, while he murmured over and over one name: "Breast of Light, Breast of Light, An Uchd Solais." Haco the page had brought to his ears that name and the renown of her beauty, and last night Torcall had not slept.

Two birds fluttered from the tree to the lush grass before him, twittering, mating. He threw back his head. "Even the birds have their choice, and shall not I?"

That the choice did not seem easily within his reach did not trouble Torcall. His face lit up as he thought of the danger. Breast of Light was the daughter of King Garaidh, the Celt, the bitterest enemy of the men of Lochann. Well, he would look into her eyes.

"To the dun, Haco, and fetch two Celtic garments, secretly, and two horses from the byre, the fleetest there, and food. We have a journey. We must be far away as the sun drops into the west."

An hour later two Gaels, or so they seemed, sat upon their horses. Two days later, as the sun set, they forded with difficulty a madly rushing stream. "What dour churl is this?" laughed Torcall softly, as they reached the brink. Dour indeed he seemed as he scowled up at the two travel-stained men from his seat beneath the willows.

"Hast no fair word for fellow travelers?" asked Torcall, as they halted. It seemed that he had none at all. Torcall's quick blood mounted to his cheeks. "Where bound? I say."

He sidled his horse toward him, and pricked him with his sword. The man shrunk back, and Torcall's eyes were upon their faces. "To the dun of Garaidh. What will it be to you?"

Torcall answered shortly: "It may be much." He pointed to the harp which lay at the other's side. "Is there a feast?"

The harper looked derisively at the two dusty steeds, at the two men, unkempt, lest they should seem of too great importance.

"And will you be guests?" "We shall," said Torcall, quickly, "and, lest Garaidh should have as harper a churl with no fair word, I myself have a fancy to that harp of thine, and to that kilt thou wear'st so badly. Off with it!"

No sooner said than done. Torcall dropped from his horse. The harper was a child in Torcall's hands. Over his head came the kilt.

"And now," chuckled Torcall, "to cool your wrath." Seven times he soused the harper in the stream; then with his immense strength he lifted him above his head. "Cross now my path again. Now swim for it." He hurled him into the stream.

In the black darkness outside the hall of Garaidh stood Torcall alone. As near as might be, in a hollow hidden by dense foliage, lurked Haco with the horses.

From within came the heavy step of warriors, the clash of weapons and of tankards, the din of many voices. Torcall pressed close to the wall of the dun.

"Where is Domhnall, the harper?" came the deep voice of Garaidh, and Torcall laughed. He stepped forward to the entrance, unstringing the harp from his shoulder. He passed within, bowed low.

"Will King Garaidh accept me in his stead? The last I saw of that dour fellow he was breasting the waters of the stream. I put him there, to get a civil tongue."

"A sword would seem a better weapon in your hand than harp. Let us hope that you can play, a mighty strain."

Bowing again, Torcall sat down upon the steps of the dais and struck his fingers across the strings. The firm chords filled the hall. And then Torcall opened his lips and sang—a moving battle-rann of the Gaels.

As Torcall sang his eyes roved first about the hall.

Flanked by his under-lords sat Garaidh. Near him, surrounded by her maidens, rested a figure all in white. Torcall let his gaze rest full upon her.

An instant the music faltered, then he turned his eyes away. Yet now he sang for one alone—for Breast of Light.

There was silence in the great hall, broken only by the clang of the spear of Garaidh as it slipped from his armor bearer's hand. He stooped to regain it. "Let be," said the king, impatiently, but now the strains died away in a cascade of faint, rippling notes.

King Garaidh voiced his thanks, and applause rang down the hall. Breast of Light with her maidens rose to retire. As the girl passed she looked up at Torcall towering above her and smiled enigmatically: "It is a mighty harper, indeed." Torcall stirred restively, and drew back among the men. In this nest of enemies his every sense was alert. A tankard was brought him and he quenched his thirst.

Again came the call for music and Torcall stepped before the dais. Raising his harp, he glanced about him. At the doorway stood Domhnall, the harper.

He came forward with dark, triumphant face. Scarce waiting to approach the dais he threw toward Torcall an accusing hand.

"I thought I had seen his face. Now, for all his disguises, I know him. It is Torcall of Lochann."

"Lochann! Gaul!" With hoarse cries the throng was on its feet and at him.

"Guard the door," rang the voice of Garaidh.

Torcall had already seen that it was held close packed with men. The window? He could dimly see figures also there. With the king's spear he drove upon them. He felt it go home, wrenched it from the sinking body, tossed it through the window. Hands seized him; he tore them loose, grasped his nearest foe and hurled him back upon the rest. As they swayed he sprang through.

It was a moment before the huddled mass of groping men understood his escape. Then through doors and windows they poured after him.

Those who approached a clump of trees heard horses galloping away. There were curses loud and deep, shouts for their own horses; but ere they came pursuit among the scurrs was fruitless.

When it slackened, Haco, the page, returned and sought new hiding. For Torcall was not with the page, nor had Torcall given his signal cry.

In her chamber, raised the joint height of a man and a boy above the earth, there had sat, musing, Breast of Light. From below, at the farther end of the great dun, came a smothered outcry; then a tumult of sound. She rose, wondering and hesitating, at last sprang forward and listened at the door. The noise of battle came along the passages, up the low stair. She stood trembling.

There was a sound at the window behind her. She turned. A great figure sprang into the room, dashed out the feeble light, stood, breathing deeply.

Breast of Light shrank back, her palms against the wall.

"I am Torcall of Lochann, son of Olaf. Denounce me, if you will." Now the girl gave a low cry.

"The harper?" "The same."

"First disguised, and now seeking refuge with a woman!" Torcall leaned back, laughing softly. Though his enemies swarmed about him, he seemed in no haste now.

"Refuge? I am liking that."

"What then?" she asked, curiously. "I came to take you for wife."

She drew up proudly.

"Listen," he said; in soft, sweet Gaelic (made, was it not? for words of love): "They wished me to have to wife the daughter of a chieftain great in lands and wealth; but the breath of your name came to me—and stayed. I pictured to myself what you would be—the flower of the beauty of the world."

"And I am not." She smiled demurely.

"When I saw you my heart stopped."

Her head dropped.

"I came to take you—but I hoped that when I came you might not be unwilling. Will you come? Look at me."

He bent toward her, but touched her not. The light of the moon was full on his face, noble, commanding.

She did not speak, but something in her eyes spoke for her.

He caught her to him.

A moment she hung against him, her heart throbbing, then drew away anxiously. "Come, I must hide you."

Instantly he was Torcall the proud chieftain of Lochann.

"No, I came disguised that I might first see. But I shall take you, asking no man, openly."

She shuddered against him. "It will be death to you. They are beneath the window now!"

He grasped the spear, strode over and looked out. Four warriors talked together. Suddenly one of them looked up, gave a hoarse exclamation. Scarce had it left him when Torcall's spear was through his chest.

Seizing Breast of Light about the waist, he threw himself and her over the sill and down upon them. Crushed beneath them one went down. Torcall fell over the body, but held up the girl safe from harm. He struck up the weapon at his breast and with his free arm drove the breath out of the body of his foe. Now he was on his feet and sprang toward the distant clump of trees where the horses had been hidden.

The cries had brought behind him a score of pursuing feet.

Swift as was Torcall, he was hampered by his burden. They gained upon him. Close behind he could hear the foremost's quick-drawn breath, almost feel the spear against his back.

Quickly he swerved from his track, threw out his foot. The spear went past his body. His pursuer crashed upon the earth. Once again Torcall leaped forward, and sounded a shrill cry to Haco.

Then came the thunder of hoofs. Torcall threw Breast of Light into the saddle and leaped behind her.

The all-night fight began.

As dawn streaked the sky, a messenger met Garaidh at the head of his rescuing men.

"Your daughter is with Torcall of Lochann—willingly. Is it war or peace?"

Murmured King Garaidh: "The kingdoms will be one. I have no son. Where can I get a better one than that stout Torcall, so swift to take what he wants? Besides, I liked that song he sang."

IN COOKING VEGETABLES.

Some Should Be Washed Just Before Cooking and Others Have a Good Soaking.

"Never wash vegetables until they are ready to be cooked," is a maxim well worth remembering, if the vegetables in question have been freshly gathered from the garden. But if they are of the grocery variety, it is often necessary to soak them in cold water for awhile before cooking. This is especially true of winter roots, like potatoes, carrots, beets and parsnips.

The best way to cook green vegetables is to put them into plenty of fast-boiling water. The opposite, however, is the rule for winter roots. They should be put into cold water and gradually allowed to come to a boil. Rutabaga turnips will lose their coarse rankness if cooked in this way.

Salt, which renders water hard, should not be added to it until vegetables have begun to cook. Some green vegetables, like spinach, are put into salted water to boil, but peas and beans should be cooked in unsalted water until they are just ready to be taken off. Carrots, beets, potatoes and most vegetables are better for not being salted till they are half done. Do not add soda to green vegetables except occasionally. It will improve the quality of some old peas and beans, and a pinch of it, the size of a pea, is about the right amount for a quart of water. Sometimes an old-fashioned cook will add the soda and then neutralize it by adding the usual salt.

In such a case the salt should be added just as the vegetables are being taken up, or to the sauce, or brown butter that is sometimes served with them.

Almost all vegetables are better for being blanched, especially Brussels sprouts, cabbage, turnips and cauliflower. The moment they are done pour off the boiling water, cover them with very cold water and let them remain in it for a moment or two. Then pour off the water, cover them with a cream sauce and reheat them. Sometimes, if the vegetable is of a particularly rank flavor, it will be better for several successive blanchings in fresh water. When boiling onions or cabbages, if you pour off the boiling water from time to time and immediately add fresh cold water, the odor will never penetrate to the adjoining rooms. The vegetables, too, will be delicate and in no way injured by the treatment. This method is especially recommended for yellow turnips, which require so many blanchings to improve them.

If it is necessary to keep vegetables for a few days spread them upon the cellar floor, or where it is perfectly cool and dry, but out of reach of air currents. Keep each variety by itself, to save it from deteriorating in flavor. Carrots, turnips, beets, potatoes and beans keep well in the cellar if they are placed in dry sand. Cabbages, if spread out on earth in a good cellar, will keep for several months. Celery and leeks may also be kept several months in boxes of earth. Onions should be hung in a cool, dry place. The stalk ends of asparagus and cucumbers are said to be better if they are kept in about two inches of cold water.—Boston Budget and Bacon.

HINTS TO HOUSEKEEPERS.

In dressing salads do not use a combination of sugar and vinegar or salt and vinegar. The latter will be found most useful in cleaning brass, but is not particularly good for one's stomach. Use a mixture of oil and vinegar, delicately seasoned.

A simple method of cleaning lamp chimneys—hold in the steam from a kettle, and polish with a newspaper.

It must not be forgotten that pet cats like a bit of something green to nibble at in winter. Pieces of lettuce or even celery will be appreciated by them. Some people keep a tiny lot of oats or grass growing in the kitchen window especially for the felines to nibble.

A belt of woven material has been designed, it is said, for the kitchen broom. It can be clasped around the center of the broom and will prevent it from spreading too much, and thus lessening its days of usefulness.

If soot is dropped on a carpet, throw down an equal quantity of salt and sweep it all off together.

To freshen up leather chair seats, valises, bags, book covers, etc., which have become shabby, or spotty, rub them with the well beaten white of an egg.

Mats of asbestos that completely cover the dining tables are now manufactured. They are placed under the tablecloth to keep the heat of hot dishes from penetrating to the polished wood beneath.

A floor should never be swept where there is a contagious patient. It should be washed with a cloth and dipped in borax water, so that no dust annoys the patient and no assortment of germs are flung up in the air to drift out of the window.—Boston Budget and Beacon.

Corn Sauté.

Place the contents of a can of corn in a saucepan with a third of a cup of butter and allow it to simmer for five minutes. Then add a cupful of cream, a dusting of white pepper and salt, and a little nutmeg. Cook gently for a few moments, then pour into a hot dish and serve.

Cure of the Hands.

Before beginning to polish the stove, grease the hands with common lard, especially around and under the nails. Dipping the hands in vinegar and allowing it to dry on them is good. Cornmeal may be used for drying the hands, and is as cleansing as soap.

STOP, WOMAN!

AND CONSIDER THE ALL-IMPORTANT FACT

That in addressing Mrs. Pinkham you are confiding your private affairs to a woman whose experience with women's diseases covers a great many years. Mrs. Pinkham is the daughter-in-law of Lydia E. Pinkham, and for many years under her direction, and since her decease, she has been advising sick women free of charge.

Many women suffer in silence and drift along from bad to worse, knowing full well that they ought to have immediate assistance, but a natural modesty impels them to shrink from exposing themselves to the questions and probable examinations of even their family physician. It is unnecessary. Without money or price you can consult a woman whose knowledge from actual experience is great.

Mrs. Pinkham's Standing Invitation. Women suffering from any form of female weakness are invited to promptly communicate with Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass. All letters are received, opened, read and answered by women only. A woman can freely talk of her private illness to a woman; thus has been established the eternal confidence between Mrs. Pinkham and the women of America which has never been broken. Out of the vast volume of experience which she has to draw from, it is more than possible that she has gained the very knowledge that will help your case. She asks nothing in return except your good-will, and her advice has relieved thousands. Surely any woman, rich or poor, is very foolish if she does not take advantage of this generous offer of assistance.

If you are ill, do not hesitate to get a bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound at once, and write Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass., for special advice.

When a medicine has been successful in restoring to health so many women, you cannot well say, without trying it, "I do not believe it will help me."

"Yes, old love is easily rekindled."

"It is if one becomes possessed of money to burn."

Is the Moon Inhabited.

Science has proven that the moon has an atmosphere, which makes life in some form possible on that satellite; but not for human beings, who have a hard enough time on this earth of ours; especially those who don't know that Electric Bitters cure headache, Biliousness, Malaria, Chills and Fever, Jaundice, Dyspepsia, Dizziness, Torpid Liver, Kidney Complaints, General Debility and Female Weaknesses. Unequalled as a general Tonic and Appetizer for weak persons and especially for the aged. It induces sleep. Fully guaranteed by All Druggists. Price only 50 cents.

India's Army Rifle.

The staff of workmen at the Indian government rifle factory at Ishapur has been largely augmented, as it is desired to increase the output of rifles for the army. The army in India is being equipped with the new short rifle, which has been adopted despite the protests against it, but it will be some little time before the distribution can be completed and the necessary reserve of the weapons turned out.

The German Language.

Although German is nowadays spoken by about 75,000,000 people, German thus ranks third in number among the four leading languages of Europe, the first being English, the second Russian and the fourth French. 'ness figures do not include the Dutch language. For although Dutch, from a linguistic point of view, represents the low German branch of the Franco-Germanic dialect, it has developed a literary language of its own.

Appeal to the Czar.

Rumors have reached India through Afghanistan that the Mohammedans of the central Asian Khanates had addressed a petition to the czar through the amir of Bokhara, praying that the promises made them by the Russian government during the war might be fulfilled. The czar replied graciously, but the people were becoming impatient at the inaction of the local officials.

Human Blood Marks.

A tale of horror was told by marks of human blood in the home of J. W. Williams, a well known merchant of Bac, Ky. He writes: "Twenty years ago I had severe hemorrhages of the lungs, and was near death when I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery. It completely cured me and I have remained well ever since." It cures Hemorrhages, Chronic Coughs, Settled Colds and Bronchitis, and is the only known cure for Weak Lungs. Every bottle guaranteed by All Druggists. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

JOHN HAY AS JOURNALIST.

Few Newspaper Writers Have Been So Well Equipped for the Work as He.

Few newspaper writers have brought to their task the equipment which Hay possessed when he came to the "Tribune" in the winter of 1870, writes Joseph Bucklin Bishop in "A Friendship With John Hay." After passing through the great period of the civil war as the private secretary of President Lincoln, he had served successively as secretary of legation at Paris, charge d'affaires at Vienna, and secretary of legation at Madrid. He spoke several of the languages of Europe as fluently as he spoke his own, and he had that minute knowledge of their art and literature that only a born lover of art and literature can attain. One has only to read his "Castilian Days" to realize the full meaning of what I wish to convey when I say this. His conversation was literally a "joy forever," then as always. I have heard many good talkers in my day, thank God! but never a better one than John Hay.

Scarcely less enjoyable than his talk was his writing. He wrote mainly upon foreign affairs, political, social, and literary; and whatever he wrote, intellectual men everywhere, who read it, talked about it. Into whatever he did, then and throughout his life, he put his full powers. He was preeminently a good workman; he would do nothing except his best. But while he always did his best, he never made the mistake of taking journalistic work too seriously. He had the saving grace of humor, without which no journalist can hope to attain the largest measure of power and usefulness.

PREDICTIONS BY MACHINE.

Contrivance Used by Coast Survey at Washington Preforms Unique Service.

A machine that prophesies is an engine in use by the coast survey at Washington, D. C., which can and does predict the time of high and low tide for a given locality, and makes these predictions for a year in advance. Its performance is not limited to a year, but that is the maximum of work it is usually called upon to do. It is compact and delicate to a degree not easy to appreciate. To make these tidal predictions, which are issued in the form of a fat book of tablets every year by the survey, the machine is first set, then operated by hand. As may be surmised, the setting of the machine is the point at which accurate mechanism and the human brain join forces. There are 19 factors to be determined in making tidal predictions. Each factor alters all the rest. Hence the machine is so constructed that an alteration of one factor has its effect on the others. How this is done is understood in a measure by noting that there is a setting of 19 dials, with pointers. Each pointer is on a pulley mounted eccentrically on its shaft, and over this pulley passes a chain which goes from one to another. Obviously, if the eccentricity of one pulley is altered it has its proportionate effect on all the rest. The engine was invented by Prof. William Ferrel, who presented it to the government without charge for his idea. It cost originally but \$3,500 and does the work of 40 expert computers.

NOW THE GRANITE STATE.

Magnitude of Deposits in Texas Gives the Commonwealth That Distinction.

The new Granite state of Texas, whose magnitude of granite deposits probably outrank those of any other state, it could with equal fitness be styled the foremost cattle state, and, judging from its famous undeveloped iron ores, it may become a center of metallurgy. With but a fraction of its acres devoted to grain, it produces nearly 200,000,000 bushels a year of wheat, corn and other grains. On 15,000,000 acres it is annually growing nearly \$300,000,000 worth of agricultural products. Texas is an empire with less than one-tenth of its area under cultivation—a fraction so small that it might be cut off one side the state without being missed from the other; with a population of 3,000,000, and easily able to support 50,000,000, with a variety of soils suitable for every crop from that of the tropics to that of the higher altitudes of the temperate zone, with great water powers yet untapped, with a wealth of mineral resources defying description, a beauty of mountain scenery unknown and unappreciated by the world at large, and a charm of climate unsurpassed in the United States, varying from cold regions like the northwest to sunny areas where roses bloom throughout the winter.

Only Born King.

There is a fact about King Alfonso well worth knowing. Of all the kings who have ever lived, with the sole exception of Jean I. of France, who lived but a few hours, he is the only one to be a king from the moment of his first breath—a veritable "born king." And since he is much spoken of these days it is not amiss to know his name, which is, his Most Catholic Majesty Don Alfonso XIII, king of Spain, of Castile, of Leon, of Aragon, of the two Sicilies, of Jerusalem, of Navarre, of Gibraltar, of the Western and Eastern Indies, of the Oceanic Continent, archduke of Austria, duke of Burgundy, of Brabant and Milan, count of Hapsburg, of Flanders, of Tyrol and grand master of the Golden Fleece. This is not really all, but it is a good deal to live up to, even for a king.

Flax in Demand.

There is a great demand for flax all over the world, and a great effort is being made to induce Americans to cultivate it.

Titled Author.

Marquis de Castellane, Count Boni's father, has written a drama, entitled "for the Fatherland," which tells of Napoleon's love for the Polish Countess Walewska, whom he met at Warsaw. It will shortly be presented.

Oysters in Old Rome.

The ancient Romans ate oysters as the first course at banquets because of their quality of stimulating the appetite. Pliny recommends oil and onions as condiments.

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Titled Farmer.

Lady Wyndham-Quin, the daughter of Lord Dunraven, is among the practical horticulturists of the peerage, and owns a wonderful violet farm.

With Torch.

Liberty will now begin to enlighten Russia.

Keeps Him Going.

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coming in more directions.—Yonkers
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WEDNESDAY, APR. 18, 1906.

STATE OF MAINE.

By the Governor

A PROCLAMATION

With the advice and consent of the Executive Council, I hereby designate

Thursday, the Twenty-sixth day of April, instant, as Fast Day.

GIVEN at the Executive Chamber at Augusta, this twenty-third day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and six, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and thirtieth.

By the Governor,

WILLIAM T. COBB,
BYRON BOYD,
Secretary of State.

Obituary.

Died in Bethel, April 10, Mrs. Elizabeth K. Swift, aged 83 years.

Mrs. Swift received a partial stroke of paralysis about one year ago, since which time her health has been gradually failing. Sunday evening April 1, she slipped and fell while going from one room to another in her apartments. Owing to her age and feeble condition of health the fracture sustained could not be remedied, so lingering for a few days in pain and suffering she passed away. In the meantime all was done that could be done by friends and attendant physicians to modify her suffering.

Mrs. Swift was born in Andover, Mass., moved to Norway while yet a child, and finally to Bethel some forty years ago. She was the widow of Newton Swift who passed away in the year 1865. He will be remembered as one of the former merchants of the village, occupying the place now used as a drug store. Mrs. Swift was one of a family of eleven children only one being at present alive, a brother in California. She has had two children, a son Arthur who died at the age of thirty-one, and the one now living, Mrs. G. R. Wiley.

Mrs. Swift has always been a very industrious woman, thoroughly self-reliant, strong in mind and firm in opinion. She was also social in nature and enjoyed her neighbors and friends, and before her health failed she enjoyed the Sunday service of the church, the Ladies' Circle and the society of her sisters in the Lodge of Rebekahs of which she was a devoted member. Our sympathy goes out to her daughter at this time, with the hope and the trust that the spirit of the present Easter tide may bring its share of comfort to the saddened heart. The funeral was held at the home April 12, conducted by Rev. F. E. Barton. Burial at Evergreen Cemetery.

MARY MORGAN.

Mrs. Mary, wife of Gerry Morgan, died at the home of her father, Charles Tidswell, last Saturday. For some time previous to the past few weeks, Mr. and Mrs. Morgan lived in South Paris where Mr. Morgan had employment. The health of Mrs. Morgan failing, it was deemed best to close their home there and Mrs. Morgan came to the home of her father where she has been tenderly cared for. About a month ago Mr. Morgan gave up his work at South Paris and came to Bethel that he might be near his wife during her last days, as it was known that she could not recover from her sickness, consumption. Mrs. Morgan leaves besides her husband a little boy

about five years of age. Funeral services were held at the Congregational Chapel Monday afternoon Rev. C. N. Gleason officiating. There was a profusion of beautiful flowers and amid these Easter emblems she was laid to rest.

John Heath died at the home of his brother Charles on Railroad street Friday morning after a short illness. Mr. Heath has always lived in Bethel and was well known, having worked for Hastings Bros., as teamster for a number of years. The funeral was held Sunday, Rev. C. N. Gleason officiating.

To Cousin Joe.

The autumn days are with us Joe,
The green has changed to brown,
And as November's breezes blow,
The leaves come fluttering down.
They lie in windrows at the bound
Where field and forest meet,
And with a dry and rustling sound
Are crumpled 'neath our feet.
The frost king breathes upon the beech,
The nuts come rattling down
Within the sprightly squirrel's reach,
His winter store to crown.
The fruits are gathered from the earth,
Pasture and field are bare,
The bright fire glows upon the hearth
To temper evening's air.
Long since the spring to buds gave birth,
Soon blossoming into flowers,
And gladdened all the fragrant earth
With sunshine and with flowers.
Then summer's radiant glory
Brightened every hill and dale,
To repeat the olden story
That harvest should not fail.
The promise is fulfilled, for now
The harvest, gathered in,
Is resting in the ample mow,
The cellar and the bin.
Frosty mornings now remind us
The year's work will soon be over,
For the summer's just behind us
And the winter just before.
The spring time of our dreaming youth
With all its bright hues flowers,
Passed as we wakened to the truth
That sterner life was ours.
In the season of our manhood's prime
While ambition's fires burned,
We spent the golden summertime
Conning lessons dearly learned.
Now life's autumn days remind us
That our work is nearly o'er,
For life's summer lies behind us
With its winter just before.
Round the past, fond memory hovers
But we fain would take a look
At the leaves between the covers
Of the future's sealed book.
Ever a bright star beameth
In ethereal skies above,
And to our soul it seemeth
The celestial star of love.
If the star of love supernal
Gives to earth its constant ray,
Shall we not find love eternal
When life's clouds have passed away?
Let us hope that when the time shall
Come
To close our labors here,
We shall all meet at the harvest home.
And greet a glad new year.

A. P. O.
St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 3, 1906.

This poem was written last fall but mislaid and only just given for publication.

CHURCH NOTES

CONGREGATIONAL.

At the Congregational church next Sunday morning the theme of the sermon will be "Beyond The Death Line."
Sunday school at 12 m.
C. E. meeting at 6.45. Topic, "Kec-ing The Lord's Day."
Pastor's half-hour at 7.30 o'clock The Lamp of Life.

Opening of Town Schools.

The following is the assignment of teachers for the spring term of the schools of Bethel which open Monday next:
Village—Mr. Brown, Miss Twaddle, Miss Andrews, Miss Richardson.
East Bethel—Miss Whidden.
Northwest Bethel—Miss Mason.
North Bethel—Miss Farwell.
South Bethel—Miss Skillings.
West Bethel—Miss Kendall.
West Bethel Flat—Miss Stearns.
Middle Intervale—Miss Russell.
Milton Plantation—Miss George.
H. H. HASTINGS,
Supt. Schools.

To Rent.

A large lower tenement or two small tenements. Inquire of
Mrs. Roxanna Bean,
17 wd 47 Bethel, Me.

Died.

In South Framingham, Mass., April 11, Kenneth Douglas S. son of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Bartlett, aged 3 years.

HANOVER.

Mrs. Allen Richardson went to Portland, Monday, where she will enter a hospital for treatment. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Martha Bartlett.

Mr. J. E. Russell is still quite poorly. Mrs. Russell is also ill.
Mrs. S. R. Howe, who has been quite ill for the past week, is some better.

Mr. Lawrence Seales of Newry, is working for Smith Bros. in their upper mill. He is boarding at E. H. Barker's.

Mr. Eli Stearns entered the Maine General Hospital, Portland, last week for treatment.

Mr. A. G. Howe returned, Thursday from his Boston trip. Miss Howe will remain a few weeks longer.

Sumner Davis, John Kimball, Cheslie Saunders and Allen Richardson are making honey with very good success.

J. B. Roberts went to Rumford Falls, Tuesday, with a large load of furniture.

Notice.

Beginning on Saturday, April 21st, 1906, the Bethel Savings Bank and the Bethel National Bank will be open to business on Saturdays from 9 a. m. to 1 p. m. including noon hour. Bank hours for other days in the week are not changed but remain from 9 a. m. to 12 m. and from 1.30 p. m. to 4 p. m.

BETHEL SAVINGS BANK,
3W48 BETHEL NATIONAL BANK.

A Mechanic Falls merchant was last week fined \$5.00 for cruelty to rats. The rats, which had been caught in a trap, were put in a barrel with some excelsior on which kerosene had been poured, and it was then set afire. Two of the rats ran across the street with their fur blazing.

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It makes walking easy. Cures Corns, Bunions, Ingrowing Nails, Swollen and Sweating Feet. At all Drug Stores and Shoe Stores, etc. Don't accept any substitute. Sample Free. Address, Allen S. Olin, Ltd., LeRoy, N. Y.

Donald L. Clark, the nine year old son of Charles M. Clark of Bath, died Tuesday from the effects of a fall while climbing over a stone wall on Sunday. It was not supposed the boy had sustained very serious injuries, but the fall must have caused concussion of the brain, as he lay down on a sofa Tuesday morning and passed off into a sleep from which he never awoke.

CASTORIA.
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Deeply Interested.
His Wife—Have you had a bad day, dear?
The Financier—Yes; I lost over \$25,000. And the worst of it is that nearly \$100 of that was my own money!—Life.

Food Helps Growth.
Measurements made in London schools show that the children's stature, as well as their weight, increases regularly in passing from the poor to the well fed and well clothed.

Big Benefit.
A ball was given in the Mechanics' pavilion, San Francisco, recently, for the widows and orphans' aid fund of the police department, and realized \$21,000 net.

World's Pig Iron.
The London Statist estimates the production of pig iron of the world in 1905 at 53,118,000 tons, an increase of 8,000,000 tons over 1904.

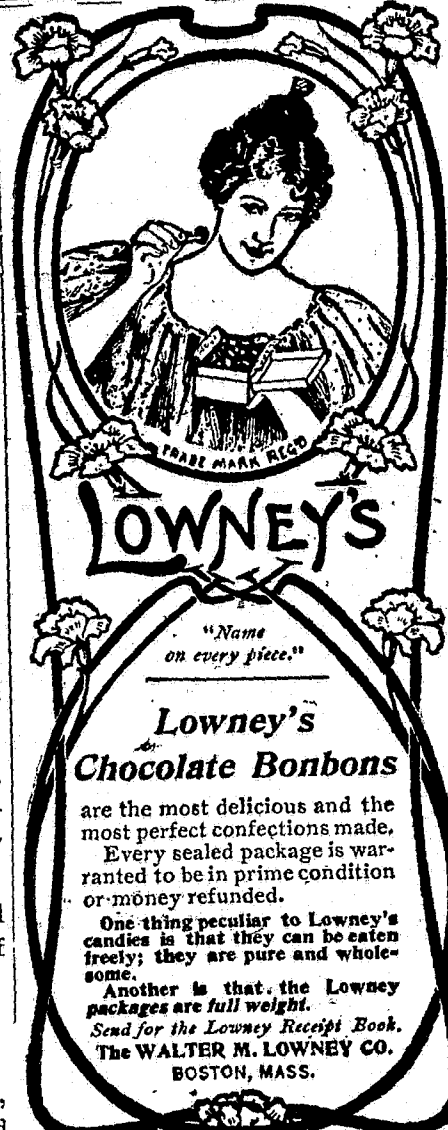
Queer Horse Feed.
Dried currants given to horses occasionally, instead of oats, are said to increase the animals' powers of endurance.

Plenty of Cows.
England possesses 28 cows for every hundred of the population. Australia has 280.

An Illusion.
"It's love that makes the world go round," said the old-fashioned sentimentalist.
"No," answered Miss Cayenne. "It merely makes some people so dizzy that they think the world is going round."—Washington Star.

Ayer's Pills
Vegetable, liver pills. That is what they are. They cure constipation, biliousness, sick-headache.

Want your moustache or beard a beautiful brown or rich black? Use **BUCKINGHAM'S DYE**



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L. A. HALL, Bethel, or
A. L. YOUNG, Auburn.

Report of the Condition of the BETHEL NATIONAL BANK

AT BETHEL,
In the State of Maine, at the close of business, April 6th, 1906
RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts	\$ 35,501 51
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	10,000 00
Overdrafts secured and unsecured	4 21
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	478 13
Bonds, Securities, etc.	4,820 00
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures	487 50
Due from National Banks, (not reserve Agents)	10,956 56
Due from approved reserve agents	6,654 76
Notes of other National Banks	792 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	71 04
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, viz:	
Specie	\$3,401 55
Legal-tender Notes	545 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer, (5 per cent. of circulation)	500 00
Total	\$ 73,453 66

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 25,000 00
Surplus fund	1,222 28
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	774 64
National Bank Notes outstanding	9,500 00
Due to Trust Companies and Savings Banks	1,000 00
Individual deposits subject to check	35,955 74
Total	\$ 73,453 66

STATE OF MAINE,
COUNTY OF OXFORD, SS:
I, Ellery C. Park, Cashier of the above-named bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

L. S. Ellery C. PARK, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 11th day of April, 1906.

A. E. HERRICK, Notary Public.
CORRECT—Attest:
D. S. HASTINGS,
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Books in China.
The Chinese imperial commissioners, in the Boston Public Library the other day, expressed great astonishment that no one could tell them which book in the library was the oldest. From the Chinese point of view the oldest book is the best. There are no "best sellers" in China. A book under 1,000 years old is read by no self-respecting man.

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and Our CREAM
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WEST BETHEL.

All the Latest News from Our Neighbors.

Springlike weather has come. J. E. Pike is selling the Boston Sunday papers.

The ice has gone down the river and boats are now used.

Arthur Morrill of Norway, was town the middle of last week.

Fred E. Murphy has been spending two weeks at his old home.

Mrs. W. W. Goodridge of Gorham, N. H., visited her mother, Mrs. E. Bell, Saturday.

Wild birds are beginning to give us morning concerts of sweet song. Misses Gladys and Marion Morrill are attending Gould's Academy, and board at home, going and returning daily on the cars.

The rain on Sunday revived the drooping spirits of those having lumber to drive down small streams and logs are now floating.

Henry M. Verrill, mail carrier on route No. 4 from Bethel, used sleigh on Wednesday and Thursday of last week.

In reporting the snow storms of the past winter I have seen no mention made in any paper of the storm of Nov. 4th, when some went with sleighs.

Hastings Brothers have a large crew of men at work trying to run their pulp wood down Pleasant river.

GROVER HILL.

White from Gorham, was selling varnish here last week.

N. A. Stearns is in Portland this week as grand juror to the U. S. Circuit Court.

A. B. Grover has been fitting stove wood in the neighborhood with his horse power sawing machine.

Scott Paine was in Albany, Saturday on a peddling expedition.

Douglas Cushing and Edward Uhlman of Mason were in this place one day last week.

Mrs. George Spinney was quite seriously injured by a fall, a few days ago.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Abbott, Jr. from West Bethel Flat, were in the neighborhood, recently.

Maurice Tyler was the guest of friends here over Sunday.

BRYANT POND.

Edwin Andrews, who has been proprietor of the hotel for the past five years, has sold the property to Irvin Thompson of Rumford. This sale includes the livery stable.

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TOILET REQUISITES

You will find them extra value, and Quality the best.
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BAY ROSE LOTION

and Our CREAM of ROSE and ALMONDS.

See them all in our window.

H. S. PUSHARD,

BETHEL,

REGISTERED DRUGGIST,

MAINE.

WEST BETHEL.

All the Latest News from Our Near Neighbors.

Springlike weather has come.

J. E. Pike is selling the Boston Sunday papers.

The ice has gone down the river and boats are now used.

Arthur Morrill of Norway, was in town the middle of last week.

Fred E. Murphy has been spending two weeks at his old home.

Mrs. W. W. Goodridge of Gorham, N. H., visited her mother, Mrs. E. J. Bell, Saturday.

Wild birds are beginning to give us morning concerts of sweet songs.

Misses Gladys and Marion Morrill are attending Gould's Academy, and board at home, going and returning daily on the cars.

The rain on Sunday revived the drooping spirits of those having lumber to drive down small streams, and logs are now floating.

Henry M. Verrill, mail carrier on route No. 4 from Bethel, used a sleigh on Wednesday and Thursday of last week.

In reporting the snow storms of the past winter I have seen no mention made in any paper of the storm of Nov. 4th, when some went with sleighs.

Hastings Brothers have a large crew of men at work trying to run their pulp wood down Pleasant river.

GROVER HILL.

White from Gorham, was selling varnish here last week.

N. A. Stearns is in Portland this week as grand juror to the U. S. Circuit Court.

A. B. Grover has been fitting stove wood in the neighborhood with his horse power sawing machine.

Scott Paine was in Albany, Saturday on a peddling expedition.

Douglass Cushing and Edward Uhlman of Mason were in this place one day last week.

Mrs. George Spinney was quite seriously injured by a fall, a few days ago.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Abbott, Jr. from West Bethel Flat, were in the neighborhood, recently.

Maurice Tyler was the guest of friends here over Sunday.

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NEWRY.

Elmer Bailey is quite sick with the measles.

Clarence Bailey is working for Wade Thurston.

Amos Frost is at work for J. A. Thurston in his mill.

Mrs. Fred Bartlett is at Bethel for a few days.

Mrs. Lucretia Bartlett is staying with her son, Fred Bartlett.

Don Smith has sold some pigs to Perley Flint.

The rain last Sunday raised the water in the streams so the river drivers could put the logs in.

The visitors are beginning to arrive at Kellogg's Camps in North Newry.

The mill at Newry Corner started Wednesday.

The snow that fell a few days ago is nearly gone and wagons have superseded sleighs again.

The daughters of Mrs. H. Hastings gave their mother a very happy surprise party. A lovely birthday cake and a fine treat of confectionery was served.

Mrs. Walter Foster and two children started to attend the Grange, Thursday and meeting a large team the carriage was struck, demolishing one wheel entirely, breaking the whiffletree and throwing out the little girl, but not seriously injuring any of the occupants.

ALBANY—VALLEY ROAD.

Spring, spring, beautiful spring! Get up early and hear the birds sing. Prepare for housecleaning and pickled up meals.

For the broom and the mop will be wielded with zeal.

There's hustling about—The rooms cleared for action.

And for a time the women seem like "lords of creation."

Lucy Emery is working for Mrs. Abner Kimball.

George Cummings has purchased an incubator.

Mrs. O. H. Saunders has been visiting in Portland.

Arthur Cross had an old fashioned chopping bee last Monday.

"Aunt Charlotte" Cummings is remembering her friends with autograph cards.

Charles Grover has sold his farm to J. T. Lewis. Charles Stone will occupy it.

Wellington Bird has about five hundred trees tapped. His brother, Harry Bird, is helping him.

Whooping cough is prevalent in the Songo district.

Roger Sloan recently lost his dog, Queenie, a very valuable, intelligent, collie.

Mrs. Addie Grover is suffering from a severe cold.

F. G. Sloan has been away on a visit, spending some time with his brother, W. S. Sloan of Paris and with friends in Auburn.

Mrs. O. J. Cross was seventy-one years old the 14th; she can be ranked with the smart old ladies, as she does the work for a family of four, drives to the stores, and often calls upon her neighbors.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of J. C. Watson

J. C. Watson

SOUTH PARIS NEWS.

Local and Personal Items From Our Shire Town.

The Seneca Club held an enjoyable meeting with Mrs. T. S. Barnes, Monday evening.

Mrs. Ralph E. Sturtevant, who has been very ill, is reported to be gaining.

Mrs. Alton C. Wheeler is the organist at the Congregational church.

The W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. L. C. Morton, Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. L. W. Hollis of Sumner, is with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. M. Cutting.

Guy W. Farrar started for Nahant Beach, Saturday where he has employment.

Ernest Harlow has secured employment at Portland.

Blanche Barrows, Lillie B. Burbank and Harriette Hooper are assisting Mrs. E. A. Howe in her millinery store during the rush.

Mrs. Ira F. Murch is at the hospital at Lewiston, for treatment.

Mrs. Kate Linder of Mankato, Minn., who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Geo. A. Briggs, has returned home. Mrs. Briggs accompanied her sister as far as Boston.

Mrs. E. N. Anderson is visiting her son, Harold Anderson, in Boston.

On her return she will visit her brother, Frank Needham, and family in Portland.

Roy H. Porter from the University of Maine, is at home for the Easter vacation.

Mrs. C. W. Bowker and daughter, Muriel, were at J. F. Stanley's in Auburn, last week.

Wm. Russell has sold his interest in the grain mill to his partner, Alton Maxim.

The ladies of the Baptist church will give a supper and entertainment April 18. Edward J. Quinn, of Portland, the well known reader and impersonator, will be present.

The South Paris Corporation is soon to hold a meeting in regard to establishing a curfew in the village.

A beautiful pulpit Bible of the latest design and American Standard Revised Version was recently given to the Congregational church by Dr. Waterman T. Hewett of Ithaca, N. Y.

The ladies of Western avenue have a Social club. The first meeting was held with Mrs. Luella Smiley last Thursday. They were pleasantly entertained with music and singing, and a nice treat of ice cream and cake was served.

W. W. Payne, after many years of faithful service as treasurer of the Methodist church, is succeeded by Eben E. Chapman.

Lyman Merrill has resigned his position as janitor at the Methodist church.

Mrs. Richardson, who has been quite ill at her home at Sherman Ordway's on Western avenue, is slowly improving.

There was a large attendance at the skating rink, Saturday night.

Many went from South Paris to the dance at Norway Opera House, Friday evening.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, Lucas County.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., TOLEDO, O. Sold by all Druggists, 75c.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

NORTH NEWRY.

E. R. Eames has finished work for Mr. Latchford and is helping his father in his mill.

H. Wight cut his finger on the shingle edger, last week.

W. D. Kilgore was in Norway last week.

Wade Thurston is getting ready for driving; he has the Munroe House.

FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR

Cures Croup, Whooping Cough, Sore Throat, etc.

Continental Casualty Company of Hammond, Indiana.

General Office, Chicago, Illinois.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Real Estate, \$42,074.27
Mortgage Loans, 478,400.00
Stocks and Bonds, 218,721.00
Cash in Office and Bank, 148,837.12
Agents' Balances, 39,094.08
Bills Receivable, 3,271.96
Interest and Rents, 18,588.64
All other Assets, 804,428.94Gross Assets, \$1,781,032.95
Deduct items not admitted, 72,422.07

Admitted Assets, \$1,708,610.88

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905.
Net Unpaid Losses, \$1,166,166.00
Unearned Premiums, \$1,450,902.00
All other Liabilities, 275,015.78
Cash Capital, 200,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 290,659.58Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$3,788,600.28
RICKER & BRIDGEMAN, Agents,
Auburn, Maine.

The Fidelity and Casualty Co. of New York.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Real Estate, \$605,142.44
Stocks and Bonds, 5,897,241.44
Cash in Office and Bank, 136,950.00
Agents' Balances, 30,212.50
Bills Receivable, 10,766.91
Interest and Rents, 792,003.95
All other Assets, 133,591.77Gross Assets, \$7,634,734.32
Deduct items not admitted, 133,591.77

Admitted Assets, \$7,501,142.55

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905.
Net Unearned Losses and Expenses of Settlement, \$1,474,306.89
Unearned Premiums, 2,043,243.89
All other Liabilities, 248,547.57
Cash Capital, 500,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 3,334,944.20Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$7,500,842.55
FREDERICK HOWE, Agent,
Norway, Maine.
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Rumford Falls, Maine.
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Wanted More Silence.

She—This ever-woman's lot to suffer in silence.
He—Yes; and if they'd only let us suffer in the same way how happy we'd be.—Tit Bits.

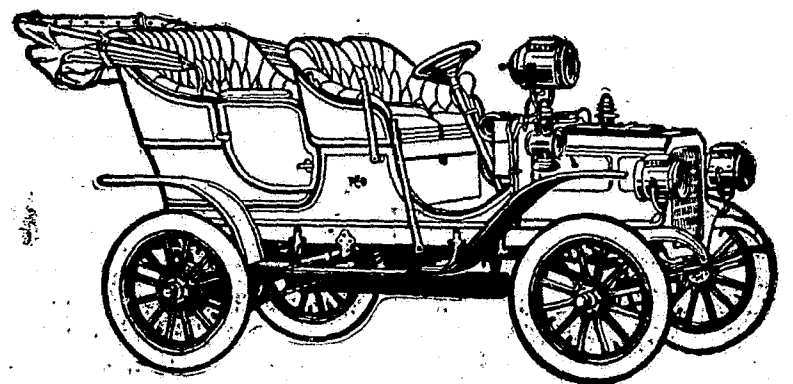
Those Hats.

"Is my hat on straight?"
"Perfectly."
"Then it's on crooked; wait a minute till I fix it; it ought to tilt a little."—Houston Post.

Psychical.

Tommy—Pa what is meant by auto suggestion?
Pa—It's when your ma drops a hint a minute that she wants one.—N. Y.

THE REO



A Goer and a Stayer.

The Reo Touring Car Engine develops A full Horse Power for every 90 lbs. of Car.

and each ounce of power is applied where it does the most good and gives the highest continuous speed on all roads and grades. It is the

CAR OF CARS for the money. See it before buying

HERRICK BROS.

BETHEL,

MAINE.

Maryland Casualty Company, Baltimore, Maryland.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Real Estate, \$420,836.49
Ground Rent, 100,000.00
Stocks and Bonds, 2,445,519.95
Cash in Office and Bank, 116,770.17
Agents' Balances, 10,833.18
Bills Receivable, 4,859.22
Interest and Rents, 13,384.20
Premiums in course of coll., 443,847.36Gross Assets, \$3,549,850.97
Deduct items not admitted, 67,092.01

Admitted Assets, \$3,482,758.96

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905.
Safety Reserve for Liability Claim, \$150,000.00
Net Unpaid Losses, 613,308.99
Unearned Premiums, 949,398.59
Commissions, 716,457.43
Cash Capital, 750,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 993,594.64Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$3,482,759.95
ARTHUR L. LUCE, Agent,
Rumford Falls, Maine.

One Minute Cough Cure

For Coughs, Colds and Croup.

Chinese Emperor's Nephew.

Prince Chun, the brother of the emperor of China, has a son, who is the emperor's nearest relative in the succeeding generation and may eventually be emperor. "An Imperial decree," it is stated, "bestows upon the infant the name of Pu."

Schools for the Gifted.

Germany is not content to give every child a good schooling and backward children a special schooling, but contemplates "schools for the gifted." The idea is that the brilliant and promising should not be kept back by working along with ordinary classes.

Royal Partners.

Queen Alexandra and the dowager empress of Russia have jointly purchased a country house at Hyddoore, four miles from Copenhagen, and will spend summer vacations there together.

EASTER APPARELING

No need to wonder what you will wear,—we have solved the problem for you.

We have spent months searching the best markets and demanding the most exclusive styles and most worthy fabrics for your choosing.

All in strict accordance with the recent style changes,—the natty, short effects in coats as represented by the Eton, Bolero, Blouse and Pony styles,—the new swirling skirt in circular fashion,—in every shade and texture.

Our Suits meet every requirement of buyers seeking stylish garments and every expectation of customers looking for service-giving values at extremely modest prices.

SUITS.

AT \$12.50

Suits in the new Gray mixtures, Eton style with vest of blue linen trimmed with braid, circular skirt. Special value at \$12.50.

AT \$15.00

A Leader, Suits in gray manish mixtures and black Panama. Vest of moire silk, collar and cuffs handsomely trimmed. Circular skirt with folds around bottom, would be good value at \$22.50. Special at \$15.00.

AT \$18.50

Several styles in Eton Suits in new grays, navy blue and black; in Panama, Broadclothes and fancy materials, all cut in latest modes and handsomely tailored.

150 Suits in beautiful gray mixtures in Panama and Broadcloth in Eton, Bolero and Pony coat styles also in 21, 27, 36 and 50 inch coats. Prices \$25, \$32.50, 35.00, 37.50 and 45.00.

The above are all exclusive styles shown only by us, and comprise the season's most attractive styles.

Voile suits in Eton effects

all made over silk drops, mostly single suits which will not be duplicated. Prices, \$35 to 75.

Model Suits of Broadcloth and Panama, \$45.00 to 75.00

No two alike.

SHIRT WAISTS SUITS.

Shirt Waist Suits and Costumes in Gingham, White Muslin, Linen, Taffeta silk, Louisines, embroidered Linens and Organdie muslins, \$2.95 to \$38.00. Many of which are in the new Princess styles.

CHILDREN'S DEPT.

Never so well stocked or such attractive styles.

Coats that are entirely different from the ordinary.

Coats from \$3.00 to 22.50 with special values at \$4.25, 5.00, 6.00 and 10.00.

A large line of new Cotton Dresses in white and colored materials from, 58c to \$22.50

Special showing of white dresses for graduates in silk, muslin and organdie, \$1.75 to \$22.50

Children's school dresses in serge, mohair, cheviot and shepherd checks, \$2.95 to \$15.00

New Sailor Suits. COTTON and LINEN WAISTS.

An immense line in white muslin, Batiste, Handkerchief Linen, both plain and embroidered, \$1.00, 1.25, 1.50, 1.75, 2.00, 2.50, 3.00, 3.75 up to 25.00.

Lace Waists from \$5.00 to \$27.50.

Wash Silk Waists from \$2.95 to \$9.50.

SKIRTS.

Separate Skirts that are cut right, tailored right and priced right, in Panama, Broadcloth, Mohair, Voiles, Taffeta, Silk and gray materials, \$5.00 to \$28.00.

Special values at \$5.00, 7.50, 10.00

COATS.

400 coats in coverts, black broadcloths, chevots and mixtures including short fitted coats in 22 to 27 inch lengths and a large assortment of 3-4 loose coats in mixtures, \$6.50, 7.50, 9.00, 10.00 up to 40.00.

Automobile Coats in silk Gloria, rubber-lined, \$22.50 to \$5.00.

EASTMAN & BROS. PORTLAND, ME. BANCROFT & CO. MAINE.

BRYANT POND.

The popular drama, "The Strike," was presented at Dudley Hall, April 11, for the benefit of the Village Improvement Society. Characters:

Robert Belknap, Clarence E. Cole, Col. Dodson, Benj. Billings, Louis Stevenson, N. I. Swan, Alex Stevenson, A. M. Chase, Fred Harding, Daniel Hayes, Drake, D. E. Hayes, Ruffan, Fred Cole, Ariel, Dodson, Matoria Day Billings, Carrie Belknap, Ada Swan, Bettie, Mima Kimball, Kate, Nellie Bowken, Mima Kimball is boarding at D. E. Hayes.

James Farnham moved into the Felt rent, Saturday.

Guy Cole has been quite sick with the measles.

H. G. Blount of Bates college was in town over Sunday.

Mrs. John Titus, who has been sick for five weeks, is gaining slowly.

Lott's Trull of Haverhill, has been the guest of Ethel Ford for the past week.

Mrs. Charles Brooks is very sick.

Florence Bryant of Abington, was with her last week.

The schools in Woodstock commence April 23. Public examination April 21, at the High school building.

Mr. Bennett is cutting firewood for J. E. Hathaway.

N. M. Rowe of Paris, was in town last Thursday to visit his daughter, Mrs. S. Eva Daniel, who is working at H. C. Bacon's.

J. M. Day has leased his farm to C. H. E. Rose, who has moved his family in. Mr. Day and wife still occupy a part of the house.

A new cream route has been established taking in Greenwood Center, over Rowe Hill, out through the Bryant and Whitman districts and thence through the Tubbs district to Greenwood City. Perley Whitman is the carrier and the cream goes to the Turner Center Dairy Association, being shipped from Norway.

ALBANY.

Amos L. Bean is employed at Harry McNally's mill.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Morey died last week.

Arthur Andrews is spending a few days with relatives and friends at West Paris and Oxford.

Marion Bean, who has been visiting relatives in town, returned to her home in Mason, Sunday.

Elbert Briggs, who has spent some months with his sister, Mrs. W. E. Cummings, returned to his home in Bethel, Saturday.

The Ladies' Circle met at the church vestry, Thursday afternoon and evening. Although the traveling was bad fifty-three people were present.

WENTWORTH LOCATION.

D. A. Cameron came home from the woods, Sunday. He has been at work for Spalding & Son.

P. C. Ripley is hauling hard wood logs to the mill. He is going to build a road roller for the town of Magalloway Plantation.

Fred Bennett has come out of the woods and is going to work on the telephone line.

Mrs. Fannie Hickey is very ill with bronchitis.

Mrs. Arthur Flint and daughter, Barbara, are spending a few days with Mrs. M. D. Sturtevant.

J. W. York made a trip to Andover last week. Mrs. York and son, Harold, accompanied him as far as Upton, where they will visit her people for a few days.

N. H. McGinley is sawing wood at Wilson's Mills, with his machine.

Henry Bird is working for N. H. McGinley with his horses.

The meeting of Mt. Dustin Grange last Saturday was well attended.

Friends were pleased to learn that Mrs. Lillian McGinley was remembered in her uncle's, John Fickett, will, who passed away at Bethel a short time ago.

CASITORIA.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Beware the Signature

EAST BETHEL.

Judge G. F. Rich of Berlin, N. H., visited here last Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Lyle Blanchard of Milao, N. H., visited at C. M. Kimball's last week.

Mrs. Sarah Farwell is spending a few weeks with her son, Mr. Wm. Farwell, and family.

Miss Dorothy Simpson and young brother from Massachusetts, are visiting at J. W. Bean's.

Mrs. S. E. Rich of Auburn, and grandson, Master Robert Rich, of Berlin, N. H., are spending a few weeks with Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Bean.

MASON.

Zenas Merrill is helping Ernest Morrill for a few days.

Mrs. Lura Merrill has been helping Mrs. Jennie Hutchinson.

Ernest Mason and John Gaul are having some painting done.

F. I. Bean has gone to Mechanic Falls and South Paris, for a few days.

Steve and Russ Westleigh went to Norway, Thursday, returning Saturday.

Myron Morrill had the misfortune to lose the end of one of his fingers a few days ago.

Nellie Merrill has been visiting in town. She is working for Mrs. Fred Chapman of North-West-Bethel.

Ed. Uhlman and Ervin Hutchinson went to Albany a short time ago.

JUST BREATHE IT

Hyomei Cures Catarrh in Nasal and Rational Way.

No dangerous drugs or alcoholic concoctions are taken into the system when Hyomei is used in the treatment of catarrh. Breathed through the neat pocket inhaler that comes with every outfit, the balsamic healing of Hyomei penetrates to the most remote cells of the nose, throat and lungs, killing all catarrhal germs, healing the irritated mucous membrane and effecting a complete and permanent cure.

No medicine taken into the stomach can possibly reach the remote cells of the air passages, or give the immediate relief that follows the use of Hyomei. A few days' treatment is all that is necessary to show how quickly this remedy will cure catarrh.

So successfully has Hyomei been in the cure of catarrh among his customers that W. E. Bosserman sells it under a positive guarantee that it costs nothing unless it gives satisfaction. The complete outfit sells for one dollar, while extra bottles can be obtained for 50 cents.

NORWAY.

The H. F. Webb Co. has already sold the expected output of corn from all their factories for next fall's packing.

L. B. Wilson, engineer for the Norway & Western railroad, arrived in Norway, Thursday evening. Mr. Wilson has been in the Boston office for a number of weeks.

Rev. Smith Baker, D. D. of Portland, who is considered the ablest speaker in the State among the clergymen, will give a lecture at the Congregational church, Friday evening, April 27.

Rosa Russell gave a birthday party to about twenty invited friends at the home of her sister, Mrs. Alma Thompson, on Maple street, Saturday evening. A pleasing musical program was given and refreshments served. A general good time was had and at a late hour the guests departed, having spent a most enjoyable evening.

F. H. Noyes while in Boston last week, was taken sick and threatened with pneumonia, but is now better and is expected to return this week.

A. L. Hobbs of Fresno, Cal., who years ago had charge of the Canadian express here, made a short visit to relatives and friends in this vicinity. He arrived Thursday and returned Monday.

The J. L. Hoina homestead on Main street, recently conducted as a home for aged women, has been sold to Ernest E. and Hannah G. Demeritt of Bethel, for \$2900, who will take possession at once.

Joseph Gardner Rowe died at his home on Fore street, Oxford, Monday, April 9th. He had been in failing health for some time. Mr. Rowe was a Democrat politically. He was a member of the Norway Grange, No. 46. The funeral was held at his late residence, Rev. B. S. Rideout officiating.

H. B. Foster was in Roxbury recently.

Jas. M. Palmer, who has been chief clerk in the Norway office of B. F. Spinney & Co. for over two years, is soon to leave here. He is going into business with his brother, E. B. Palmer of the Palmer market, Lisbon street, Lewiston.

Ambrose Warren of Westerly, R. I., was in Norway, Sunday. His sister, Jessie M. Warren, and cousin of Cornish, who were here to attend the funeral of S. Norman Buck, returned with him as far as Portland.

Lepha Mahala Bennett died in Buckfield, last week. Mrs. Bennett was born 79 years ago in Paris but had lived 46 years on the "old brick" farm in Buckfield. She had been a widow fifteen years. The funeral services were conducted last Sunday by Rev. J. H. Little of South Paris.

Farmers, mechanics, railroaders laborers rely on Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. Takes the sting out of cuts, burns or bruises, at once. Pain cannot stay where it is used.

When the Eyes Grow Dim.

When a man begins to hold off his newspaper at arm's length like he was afraid it would bite him it is a sign he has started down the western slope and that the afternoon sun is shining in his eyes.—Jewell (Kan.) Republican.

Cleric Paupers.

In the last ten years 103 clergymen have been admitted to almshouses in England as paupers. One of them was a D. D. Others held the degree of M. A. Six thousand English Episcopal clergymen earn less than \$20 a week, most of them much less.

Solemnity Flouted.

Old Tom Corwin, as he was familiarly known, governor of Ohio, United States senator and secretary of the treasury, in Fillmore's cabinet, used to say: "Be solemn—all the monuments are raised to solemn asses."

Sport in Spain.

Spain's bull fighting season lasts six or seven months out of each year. In that time between 2,500 and 3,500 Castilian bulls are done to death for the sport of the mob.

Too Much Smoke.

An Adelaide (Australia) man who hanged himself left a note in which he said: "Heavy smoking has been my ruin. Seven sticks of fourpenny weekly for 50 years."

Trade Unions Decline.

Between 1901 and 1904 the membership in British trade unions decreased 74,119. This, the board of trade says, is due to "declining employment."

Sontag Skated.

Skating was tabooed for women in Berlin until the prima donna Henrietta Sontag set the bold example.

The Copper Demand.

It takes 40,000 tons of copper a month to satisfy home and foreign demands.

DO YOU GET-UP WITH A LAME BACK?

Kidney Trouble Makes You Miserable.

Almost everybody who reads the newspapers is sure to know of the wonderful cures made by Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

It is the great medical triumph of the nineteenth century, discovered after years of scientific research by Dr. Kilmer, the eminent kidney and bladder specialist, and is wonderfully successful in promptly curing lame back, kidney, bladder, uric acid troubles and Bright's Disease, which is the worst form of kidney trouble.

Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is not recommended for everything but if you have kidney, liver or bladder trouble it will be found just the remedy you need. It has been tested in so many ways, in hospital work, in private practice, among the helpless poor to purchase relief and has proved so successful in every case that a special arrangement has been made by which all readers of this paper a sample bottle sent free by mail, also a book telling more about Swamp-Root and how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble.

When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The regular fifty cent bottle of Swamp-Root dollar sizes are sold by all good druggists.

Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

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London & Lancashire Fire Insurance Co., at Liverpool, England.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Real Estate, \$300,000 00
Stocks and Bonds, 2,066,771 22
Cash in Office and Bank, 469,501 88
Agents' Balances, 344,127 05
Bills Receivable, 1,565 11
Interest and Rents, 32,040 79
All other Assets, 150,493 20

Gross Assets, \$3,304,499 35
Deduct items not admitted, 8,918 31

Admitted Assets, \$3,295,490 84
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905, \$147,699 98
Net Unpaid Losses, 1,860,528 40
Unearned Premiums, 79,370 91
All other Liabilities, 1,207,895 55

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$3,295,490 84
F. H. FREELAND HOWE,
Norway, Maine.

The Traders Insurance Company, Chicago, Illinois.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Real Estate, \$25,399 84
Mortgage Loans, 316,568 63
Stocks and Bonds, 1,244,568 63
Cash in Office and Bank, 62,390 24
Agents' Balances, 252,195 13
Bills Receivable, 10,760 04
All other Assets, 75,474 08

Gross Assets, \$3,268,254 68
Deduct items not admitted, 10,978 51

Admitted Assets, \$3,257,276 17
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905, \$9,165 47
Net Unpaid Losses, 1,286,236 37
Unearned Premiums, 4,843 05
All other Liabilities, 500,000 00
Cash Capital, 1,376,631 28

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$3,257,276 17
ARTHUR E. MORRISON & CO., Agents,
Rumford Falls, Maine.

American Insurance Company, Boston, Mass.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Mortgage Loans, \$37,000 00
Stocks and Bonds, 604,709 00
Cash in Office and Bank, \$7,675 08
Agents' Balances, 99,985 33
Interest and Rents, 6,482 88

Gross Assets, \$796,852 29
Admitted Assets, \$796,852 29
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905, \$34,714 01

Net Unpaid Losses, \$366,150 68
Unearned Premiums, 3,925 89
All other Liabilities, 300,000 00
Cash Capital, 92,061 71

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$796,852 29
H. L. ELLIOTT & Co., Rumford Falls, Me.,
W. J. WHEELER & Co., South Paris, Me.,
46F Agents.

United States Branch of the North British & Mercantile Ins. Co. of London & Edinburgh, G. E.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Stocks and Bonds, \$572,632 10
Cash in Office and Bank, 198,583 27
Agents' Balances, 57,303 79
Bills Receivable, 62,272 88
Interest and Rents, 3,640 28
All other Assets, 3,640 28

Gross Assets, \$6,563,432 33
Deduct items not admitted, 45,989 34

Admitted Assets, \$6,517,442 99
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905, \$26,613 06
Net Unpaid Losses, 3,241,298 70
Unearned Premiums, 2,939,531 23

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$6,517,442 99
W. J. WHEELER & Co., Agents,
South Paris, Me.

Maine Legal Advertising, Orient Insurance Co., Hartford, Conn.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Real Estate, \$134,867 55
Stocks and Bonds, 23,753 06
Cash in Office and Bank, 37,216 95
Agents' Balances, 188,106 30
Bills Receivable, 39 13
Interest and Rents, 26,886 43
All other Assets, 3,310 73

Gross Assets, \$242,873 94
Deduct items not admitted, 17,754 83

Admitted Assets, \$241,679 11
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905, \$6,652 41
Net Unpaid Losses, 996,152 09
Unearned Premiums, 12,216 44
All other Liabilities, 500,000 00
Cash Capital, 821,958 17

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$241,679 11
W. J. WHEELER & Co., Agents,
South Paris, Me.

Scottish Union & National Insurance Company, Edinburgh, Scotland.

Assets, Dec. 31, 1905.

Real Estate, \$130,216 62
Mortgage Loans, 2,000 00
Stocks and Bonds, 3,075,356 81
Cash in Office and Bank, 38,944 11
Agents' Balances, 278,472 37
Bills Receivable, 7,723 91
Interest and Rents, 7,723 91

Gross Assets, \$3,216,186 33
Deduct items not admitted, 3,588 19

Admitted Assets, \$3,212,598 20
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905, \$169,286 55
Net Unpaid Losses, 1,618,492 55
Unearned Premiums, 200,000 00
Cash Capital, 1,324,819 00

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$3,212,598 20
MESSRS. ARTHUR E. MORRISON & CO., Agents,
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Don't tie a cough or a cold up in your system by taking a remedy that binds the bowels. Take Kennedy's Laxative Honey and Tar. It is different from all other cough syrups. It is better. It opens the bowels, expels all cold from the system, relieves coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough, etc. An ideal remedy for the young and old. Children like it. Sold by The Wiley Pharmacy.

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Maid—Yes, marm—this situation

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Half This Man's Sufferings Would Have Killed Many a Person, But Doan's Cured Him.

Thousands of grateful people are telling every day how Doan's Kidney Pills cured them of distressing and dangerous kidney and bladder troubles.

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RATES:
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Special Rates for sojourn of Two Weeks or more.

NEW LIVERY IN CONNECTION

The United Fireman's Ins. Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Real estate, \$185,429 80
Mortgage loans, 328,452 00
Collateral loans, 63,000 00
Stocks and bonds, 1,181,952 00
Cash in office and bank, 66,318 27
Agents' balances, 71,819 20
Interest and rents, 5,317 64
All other Assets, 1,072 00

Gross Assets, 1,903,361 10
Deduct items not admitted, 13,023 59

Admitted assets, 1,890,337 51
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905, \$3,055 79
Net unpaid losses, 1,399,884 09
Unearned premiums, 12,379 48
All other Liabilities, 300,000 00
Cash Capital, 235,018 15

Total liabilities and surplus, \$1,890,337 51
W. J. WHEELER & CO. Agents,
South Paris, Me.

U. S. Branch, London Insurance Office of London, England.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Real Estate, \$290,637 79
Mortgage Loans, 50,000 00
Stocks and Bonds, 2,291,981 25
Cash in Office and Bank, 207,962 54
Agents' Balances, 341,795 41
Interest and Rents, 28,008 86

Gross Assets, \$3,216,385 85
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905, \$189,489 52
Net Unpaid Losses, 2,038,962 15
Unearned Premiums, 11,844 40
All other Liabilities, 898,872 30

Total liabilities and surplus, \$3,139,168 37

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The original LAXATIVE cough remedy.

The genuine FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR is a Yellow package. Refuse substitutes.

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THE HOME CIRCLE.

Pleasant Evening Reveries—A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as They Join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

Baby Go to Bed.

Almost any man can say it,
Can say, "Baby, go to bed."
But how many can enforce it,
When a little tossel head
Perks his head up sideways
In a way we daddies know,
And says, half a smile, half fearful,
"Papa, me don't 'ants to doo."
And pleads: "Me ain't sleepy, papa,
Me don't 'ants to go to bed."
And you see the curls a-tumble
On a little baby head,
And you look up at his mother
In a deprecating way,
And you hide behind your paper,
And you let the baby play.
Yes, most anyone can say it,
Can say, "Baby go to bed,"
But how many can enforce it,
When a little tossel head
Says: "I'm busy now a-playing,"
Whispering soft: "Don't papa know?"
Says: "I'm ain't sleepy, papa,"
Pleading: "I don't 'ant to doo."

Marriage.

God made the man for the woman,
and the woman for the man. Each
is incomplete without the other. Is
it not a fact that even those who
have married indifferently will have
developed completer and nobler
characters than those who have re-
mained single. Marriage teaches
both man and woman tolerance,
patience, tenderness. It lulls the
passions and stimulates the intelli-
gence. When there are children
the noblest virtues and aspirations
are aroused. Father and mother are
united in the desire to do their ut-
most for the helpless little ones who
depend upon them altogether, and
make life fresh and young and
beautiful for them.

There are certain men no woman
should dare to marry. She would
not dare to marry a man she does not
love, no matter how exemplary his
character and how attractive his
bank account. Happiness in mar-
riage is first and foremost dependent
upon the individual and his power
of not simply respect, but the deep-
est and completest devotion. The
man who would make one woman
divinely happy would make another
miserable, because she is not his
mate, and the good Lord never
meant her to dwell with him. There
must be that congeniality, that sym-
pathy, that inexpressible something
that men call love, that accepts its
mate altogether, ignoring all faults,
bearing all things, believing all
things, hoping all things, enduring
all things, never failing in tenderness
and loyalty even though the whole
world should turn against the be-
loved one. Such a love is worth wait-
ing for and living for. To most
women there is not much else in the
world worth living for—and to most
men also, since it is the only sure
basis for permanent happiness.

No matter how much a woman
may think she loves him, she should
not dare marry a dissipated man.
True love is rooted and grounded in
respect. A woman may pity pro-
foundly a man of weak character,
but she cannot love him. Pity is
so akin to love that women are de-
ceived by it into the belief that it is
a real devotion. But it will not last.
It is not al proper foundation for the
married state. The more intimate
your relations with a dissipated man,
the more worthless he seems. He is
like a rotten branch that the first
wind will sweep to the ground.
There is no dependence upon him,
no pleasure in him, no true love for
him.

Kind Words.

Kind words do not cost much.
They are quickly spoken. They do
not blister the tongue that utters
them. They never have to be re-
pent of. They do not keep us
awake until midnight. It is easy
to scatter them. And oh, how much
good they may do! They do good to
the person from whose lips they fall.
Soft words will soften the soul.
They will smooth down the rough
places in our natures. Care to say
kindly things will drill our natures
in kindness. It will help pull up all
the roots of passion. It will give us
a spirit of self-control. It makes

the conscience delicate and the dis-
position gentle. A woman can not
make a habit of speaking kind
words without augmenting her own
gracious temper. But better will be
their influence upon others. If cold
words freeze people, and hot words
scorch them, and bitter words mad-
den them, so will kind words repro-
duce themselves and soothe and
quiet and comfort the hearer. They
make all the better elements of one's
nature come trooping to the surface.
They melt our stubbornness. They
arouse an appreciation of better
things. Let us say the kindly word.
No one can tell how many burdened
hearts may be relieved, how many
discouraged souls may be inspired.
Say it every day; to the one who
disturbs you while you are busy,
asking for work; to the one who has
almost lost hope; to all. Remember
kind words can never die.

Oh, woman! thank God that you
have a home and that you may be
queen in it. Better be there than
carry the purse of a princess. Your
abode may be humble, but you can,
by your faith in God, and your
cheerfulness of demeanor, gild it
with splendors such as an upholster-
er's hand never yet kindled. There are
abodes in every city—humble, two
stories; four plain, unpapered rooms;
undesirable neighborhood; and yet
there is a man who would die on the
threshold rather than surrender.
Why? It is home. Whenever he
thinks of it he sees angels of God
hovering about it. The ladders of
heaven are let down to that house.
Over the child's rough crib there are
the chantings of angels that broke
over Bethlehem. It is home. These
children may come up after awhile,
and they may win high positions,
and they may have an affluent resi-
dence; but they will not until their
dying day forget that humble roof,
under which their father rested, and
their mother sang and their sisters
played.

GOOD HOARHOUND CANDY.

Recipe for a Home-Made Medicine
Sure to Find Favor with the
Fastidious Children.

Old-fashioned folks considered hoar-
hound a specific for "coughs, colds and
all bronchial affections," as the train
boys say. The bed of hoarhound from
which the writer gathers, for candy,
was planted about 1840. It has outlived
its more fragile sister herbs. And if the
season is not too severe, its crumpled
leaves defy frost far into the winter.

Children object bitterly to medicine,
as medicine. But as candy, that's differ-
ent. And it takes but a little while
to make a tough candy that will please
both the little ones and the grown-ups;
too. Cover a good handful of the green
leaves with boiling water, and put them
on the stove to simmer until the liquid
is dark brown. Then pour water off,
through a tea strainer. There should be
a little more than half a cup. Measure
one and one-half cups brown sugar
into a deep granite saucepan. Pour the
liquid over it, and stir until every lump
is dissolved. Place over a quick fire,
and stir constantly until it begins to
boil. Just then add a generous table-
spoon of vinegar and stop stirring.
Watch it carefully to see that it does
not boil over. If it shows symptoms of
burning, draw to a cooler part of the stove,
but keep boiling. Try, in cold water,
until it strings from the spoon, in fine
threads. It will take about 20 minutes.
Pour in well-buttered tins, score in lit-
tle squares, and set in a cool place to
harden. The children will want you
to do it again.—Orange Judd Farmer.

To Brighten Carpet.

Slightly moisten salt with kerosene.
Sprinkle the carpet and sweep thor-
oughly. The dust will not rise, but
will be thoroughly taken up by the
mixture. The kerosene will leave no
greasy effect, the odor will soon pass
off, and the carpet will be wonder-
fully freshened. Corn meal may be sub-
stituted for salt. The treatment may
be applied to matting with equally
good results.

Oysters on Half Shell.

Butter scallop shells and lay on a
few fine cracker crumbs; then three
good sized oysters, dust with pepper,
salt; add a bit of butter and more
crumbs; pour over each shell one
tablespoonful of milk, place on bak-
ing sheet, and bake to a puffy brown
in moderate oven. Serve on a folded
napkin with lemons cut in two.

CASTORIA.

The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of *Wm. D. Little*

A stringent law for the protection
of horses has just been passed by
the Massachusetts legislature. This
law makes it a crime to sell at pub-
lic auction, or even to lead, ride or
drive on a public way, any horse
which, on account of lameness or
other cause, could not be worked
without violating the law against
cruelty to animals. An exception is
made in the case of horses that are
being taken to a hospital or other
place for their "humane keeping or
killing." One purpose of this law,
which it is said the Society for the
Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in-
tends to enforce very strictly, is to
prevent a certain class of New Eng-
land dealers from buying lame horses
in Boston and other cities and ship-
ping them to interior places in
Maine, New Hampshire and Ver-
mont.

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Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets
Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W.
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gists are authorized to refund money if PAZO
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FRESHENING THE BEDROOM.

Now Is the Time to Look After De-
tails Before the Heavy Work of
Housecleaning Is Upon Us.

The months fly by in such quick rota-
tion that before we are aware of it, the
time will be here for spring cleaning.
It is well to plan what changes we are
going to make before this trying time
comes. At this season of the year re-
mnants of last year's wall papers may be
picked up at little prices, as the new
stocks are coming in from February up
to April, and the shelves must be cleared
to make way for the new stock.

Upholstery fabrics will also come in
shortly, and then the shops make way
for the new materials by closing out last
spring and autumn samples, and other
short lengths, often below cost price. It
is never cheap to buy anything because
it is cheap, unless we want it, but if we
are going to need it, we might as well
take advantage of these early spring
sales.

The changes for curtains, bureau cov-
ers and cushions can all be thought out
before the spring upheaval. The linen
closet must also be gone through, and
as the ready-made sheets never come
long enough to tuck under at the top and
bottom, it behooves all good housekeep-
ers to make up their own.

It doesn't take long with a good ma-
chine, and the extra comfort of having
unrumpled sheets, is well worth the
small amount of trouble in measuring
off the lengths and hemming top and
bottom. Why are sheets never made
long enough? One would think that
the makers would naturally want to
increase the cost by selling more ma-
terial, and I have yet to come across a
sheet that is not a quarter of a yard
too short.

First decide what to do to freshen
up the bedrooms. Having found some
charming papers, plan the color
scheme for the rooms that need bright-
ening up. Each pillow and bolster
should have a muslin cover. Who
does not remember the houses where
one sees a thin pillow slip and the
stripped ticking showing through?
The mattress also needs protecting,
as the wire mattresses are apt to dis-
color the ticking. It is an easy matter
to take a new muslin cover, when it is
quite an expensive outlay to have new
ticking covers made for the starchy
looking mattresses. A light-weight
pad is necessary between the bed and
the sheet, although some people pre-
fer a thin blanket.

A bedroom is always more attractive
when there are plenty of dainty
washable curtains and valences in evi-
dence. A simple valence on a wooden
slat round a bedstead, is not a har-
binger of germs if it is kept free from
dust, and washed when soiled. We
too often deprive ourselves of these
little dainty accessories, which serve
to make the bedroom attractive and
should not be unsanitary if a house-
keeper knows her business. It is es-
sential that a bedroom should be
cheerful, and what is more apt to
make it so than pretty curtains and
hangings of chintzes of harmonious
coloring?

There is no end to the individual
touches that we can put in our rooms.
—Chicago Inter Ocean.

If you ever bought a box of Witch
Hazel Salve that failed to give satis-
faction the chances are it did not
have the name "E. C. DeWitt & Co." printed on the wrapper and pressed
in the box. The original DeWitt's
Witch Hazel Salve never fails to give
satisfaction for burns, sores, boils,
tetter, cracked hands, etc. For blind,
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macy.

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If you have pains in the back, Urinary, Bladder or
Kidney trouble, and want a certain, pleasant herb
cure for woman's ills, try Mother Gray's Australian-
Leaf. It is a safe and never-failing Monthly regula-
tor. At Druggists or by mail 50 cents. Sample
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EDY is not a disguised enemy of the human
race; where it cannot help, it does not
harm. It is composed of vegetable ingre-
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blood but cools and purifies it. In all cases
of kidney troubles, Liver complaints, Con-
stipation of the Bowels, and the delicate
derangements which afflict women, the ac-
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EDY is beyond praise. Thousands of
grateful people voluntarily testify to this,
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business certificates never possess. It
makes no drunkards—excuses no crimes—
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the result. Your druggist has it. ONE
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Olive Oil Is At Once Absorbed Into
Circulatory System and Is Most
Important Food.

The use of olive oil in cookery has
not been very highly developed among
American housewives, but it is one of
the most highly valued materials in the
hands of the culinary artist
throughout southern Europe.

Olive oil is an unusually fine form
of food. Two tablespoonfuls of abso-
lutely pure olive oil contain more
available nourishment than a pound of
beef. At first glance this statement
may seem like an overstatement, but
it is borne out by the most careful
tests. Olive oil is absorbed at once
into the circulatory system with no
expenditure in digestion, whereas
beef, before it is of use in the bodily
economy, goes through an elaborate di-
gestive process which uses up more
than half the energy which it con-
tains.

Now, olive oil cookery can be made
attractive and tempting. What more
attractive than the gleam of the piled
up mayonnaise in the center of a
dainty salad, or how else would you
obtain the brown crispness of food
fried in olive oil, which, instead of
making the food difficult of digestion,
as is the case when animal fats are
used for frying, adds to the food value
of all articles of food fried in it.

The flavor of a pure unadulterated
olive oil is most agreeable, yet diffi-
cult to describe, but best indicated by
the word nutty. High grade olive oil
is not greasy; greasy olive oil has
been made from olives overripe, and it
is one of the faults most commonly
found with the medium grades of oils.
If there is the slightest hint of musty
odor in the oil it means that the oil
was not manufactured under modern
hygienic methods, but that the olives
were allowed to lie after picking un-
til fermented or moldy; and were
crushed under the antiquated methods
that prevail in foreign olive districts.
Good olive oil is most carefully
made by modern machinery. The best
is made right in the midst of the olive
grove; the olives are picked and
crushed the same day and the entire
manufacturing plant and all the ma-
chinery used are scrupulously clean
as the most exacting housewife could
ask. It is attention to these details of
manufacture that makes the difference
between first and second grade oils.—
Chicago Chronicle.

United States Fidelity & Guaranty

Company,
Baltimore, Md.
JOHN R. BLAND, President.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Real Estate,	\$ 486,322 96
Mortgage Loans,	15,150 00
Collateral Loans,	57,292 50
Stocks and Bonds,	2,096,810 24
Cash in Office and Bank,	358,789 20
Agents' Balances,	433,933 64
Interest and Rents,	28,710 89
All other Assets,	94,873 19
Gross Assets,	\$3,571,892 62
Deduct items not admitted,	73,708 96

Admitted Assets,
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1905.

Net Unpaid Losses,	\$ 312,397 86
Unearned Premiums,	1,513,669 63
All other Liabilities,	94,458 32
Cash Capital,	1,700,000 00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	237,657 65

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$3,498,183 66

H. L. ELLIOTT, Agent.

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Rumford Falls, Maine.

The Union Insurance Company of

Philadelphia.

Assets Dec. 31, 1905.

Real Estate,	\$159,076 32
Collateral Loans,	18,900 00
Stocks and Bonds,	459,454 08
Cash in Office and Bank,	46,530 37
Agents' Balances,	53,944 98
Interest and Rents,	2,375 00
All other Assets,	774 71
Gross Assets,	\$771,055 38
Deduct items not admitted,	52,887 41

Admitted Assets,
Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1905.

Net Unpaid Losses,	\$ 44,020 05
Unearned Premiums,	322,484 32
All other Liabilities,	329 70
Cash Capital,	200,000 00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	151,333 90

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$718,167 97

ARTHUR LUCE, Agent.

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RATED. No healthier or more profitable feed
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Losses.

"I have lost my pocketbook," said Jones to his wife during a brief spell at a party.
"Oh, don't bother me about it," said she. "I'm in a terrible way, too. I really don't know what I shall do."
"Why, have you lost something?"
"Yes, I've lost my powder rag. I wish you'd look for it."—Detroit Free Press.

Diminutive Horses.

What is believed to be the tiniest horse or pony in the world is the property of an Italian nobleman, who makes a specialty of breeding dwarf horses on his estate in Lombard. The diminutive creature barely measures 18 inches at the withers, scarcely the size of a large dog. The owner possesses many such equine dwarfs.

Cleanliness and Character.

Miss Mary Lawler, a Cincinnati school-teacher, holds that cleanliness is the foundation of good character. Every morning before recitations she holds a "dress parade," during which such pupils as need it are brought under the influence of soap and towels. Missing buttons, unbrushed hair and dirty shoes also come in for careful attention. The school authorities declare that as a result of this policy there has been a distinct gain in discipline and self-respect among the children.

India's Coasting Trade.

For some unexplained reason the coasting trade of India does not keep pace with the foreign. The latest statistics issued by the department of commercial intelligence show that the value of the goods carried by sea from one Indian port to another has diminished since 1900. In that year, it amounted to about \$150,000,000; the following year it fell off 11 per cent., and last year was still more than five per cent. under that of 1900.

New York's Expenses.

The gross indebtedness of New York is greater than that of the Chinese empire. The cost of operating this city's government for one year almost equals the annual expenditures of both London and Paris combined. New York pays out in salaries alone the vast sum of \$65,000,000 yearly, or as much as London spends for its entire administration. At the present time there are 45,000 men and women on that city's payroll.

Canada's Trade.

The aggregate trade of Canada for the seven months ending with January was \$44,261,143 greater than for the same time last year. The imports, dutiable and free, were \$156,259,403, compared with \$140,484,425, an increase of \$15,774,978 over the previous year. The exports were \$150,834,433, compared with \$125,230,493, being an increase of \$25,603,940.

Aged Writer.

The most interesting figure at the recent unveiling in Paris of a monument to Alfred de Musset, the French poet, was the old governess of the poet. Her name is Mlle. Adele Collin, and she is a nonagenarian. She was too infirm to walk alone, and had to be supported to her place. She is writing recollections of the poet.

Promising.

"I have great hopes for that boy of mine," said a fond father.
"So," said the uninterested listener.
"Yes, he stole some jam yesterday morning and wiped his hands on his baby sister's dress. She was punished and he escaped. I think that boy's going to be a financier."—Detroit Free Press.

Beneficent Bequest.

In emulation of Benjamin Franklin, Mayor Fitzgerald, of Boston, has given \$1,000 to form a fund that is to accumulate interest for 100 years, to be then expended for purposes which will, in the opinion of the board at that time, best serve the interest of humanity.

An Odd Sight.

In an Irish town not long ago a crowd watched nearly 150 rats cross above the ground on a telephone wire, from the town hall to a flour mill over 200 yards away. The rats used their tails to preserve their balance, and not one made a false step.

Titled Coalman.

Baron Jolcey, one of the new English peers, is the largest individual producer of coal in the world. The output of the Lampton & Jolcey collieries amounts to 5,000,000 tons annually, and he has interests in other large coal companies.

Thinking Ahead.

Applying for relief to the guardians, an old woman, living in the south of London, said she had a daughter who did not allow her anything, but kept up the payments for her insurance policy.

Rule for Parents.

It would be well for some parents to deny their daughters the privileges of the parlor in the evening, unless they spent part of the day availing themselves of some of the privileges of the kitchen.

At the Photographer's.

At the photographer's: "Look pleasant, please," said the artist to his (more or less) fair sitter. "Click! It's all over, ma'am. You may resume your natural expression."

Elephant's Memory.

In New York recently, in order to test an elephant's memory, it was commanded to do tricks it had not rehearsed for 23 years. The animal did not make a mistake.

Chance for a Mix.

The records in Postmaster General Cortelyou's office show that there are 29 post offices in the country named for Washington.

Not Interested.

A man never asks the price of wooden legs until he needs one.

Should Be Electrocutted.

Germans are now being photographed. They deserve no less.

HOTEL SWINDLERS.

SCALY TRICKS OF BEATS SAVE THEIR EXPENSES.

Good Clothes and Prosperous Air Go Far to Impress Proprietor with Their Eligibility as Guests.

"It is only with some new trick which displays especial ingenuity that a 'hotel beat' can hope to prosper these days," remarked a Broadway hotel clerk recently, reports the New York Herald, "and even then his chances of escape are small. The strength of many of the schemes resorted to by this class of swindlers lies in their being so devised that a hotel man will give them the benefit of the doubt for fear of offending a regular patron. Take, for example, the game of the torn note. It is played somewhat as follows:

"A gentleman, dressed in the height of fashion, accompanied by a lady, arrives shortly after luncheon on Saturday afternoon, and the manager, summoned by one of the officials, is informed by his guests that they only wish to stay until Monday, but 'would he, in the meantime, reserve the best suite of rooms for them.' This is, of course, done, and on the Monday morning the gentleman presents himself at the bureau with a letter, in which is enclosed half of a \$100 bill. Only half, the manager was told, had been posted—merely for safety's sake—but, as he would see in the letter, the other half would arrive in the afternoon, but he found he had to leave by an early train to keep an important appointment.

"The bill amounts, say, to \$40 for the two days, but the manager courteously agrees to accept the half note and give full change for the value of the whole note on condition that he is permitted to open the letter which is to arrive in the afternoon; and, of course, permission is at once granted. It is scarcely necessary to say that the other half note never makes its appearance, and the swindler moves on to some other hotel, to repeat his ingenious trick once more. The adventurer is able, if his plans work out well, as they seem to frequently do, to obtain good board, the while increasing his capital.

"Another plan is for three confederates to take up their abode at the same hotel, and each engages a room in close proximity to his fellow travelers. They all, however, contrive to make a display of luggage, and are invariably well dressed, for a prosperous exterior is half the battle to the hotel adventurer.

"Once comfortably installed, one member of the party regularly takes his meals with one of his fellow travelers, with the result that at the end of a week's stay his bill merely amounts to the cost of his bedroom, while his companions' accounts are naturally considerably larger, as between them they include the cost of living for the trio. The day for the hotel accounts are due to be sent in, the three conspirators hold a conference, which invariably ends in the same way—the man with the smallest bill agrees to leave at once, always, however, beforehand taking the simple precaution of packing his fellow swindlers' belongings in his own trunks.

"Now, as he invariably settles his account, no suspicion is aroused, for the special staff of detectives who patrol large hotels day and night, sending in at frequent intervals reports of the luggage brought in by visitors, still see that the wily 'rent free swindlers' companions have their luggage in their rooms. The luggage—that is to say, the boxes and trunks—is there, and weighs a considerable amount; but all valuables have been carefully extracted beforehand, to be replaced by all sorts of heavy and worthless objects, such as bricks, stones, or lumps of lead, fastened to the sides of the boxes to prevent any fear of them being displaced by shaking.

"The two other swindlers shortly afterward stroll out of the hotel, ostensibly for a short walk, but in reality never to return. And the week's expenses of the wily trio, which are invariably considerable, merely amount to the cost of one bedroom for a week and two second-hand and inexpensive boxes, which can be bought for a mere song."

Hunt for Rubber Trees.

The large increase in the demand for rubber has led to a more careful exploration of the tropics for rubber-producing trees, as well as to the development of rubber-tree groves in favorable districts. In Java, Ceylon and the Malay peninsula large tracts are being planted to rubber, and it has been found that Liberia produces an excellent quality of gum. The extension of the rubber industry in Mexico and in South America is progressing rapidly, and it has been discovered that the rubber-tree adapts itself readily to various climatic conditions in different parts of the world.

Atmospheric Study in Germany.

The German government has decided to establish a meteorological station in southern Germany, writes Consul Brittain, of Kohl. It will be on Lake Constance, near Friedrichshafen, and will cost \$15,000, the states of Bavaria, Württemberg, Baden and Alsace-Lorraine joining in the expense. Extensive study of the atmosphere will be made daily by means of kites from specially constructed boats on the lake. Similar stations already exist in northern Germany at Linderberg and Hamburg, and plans are being made to erect another station in the northeast.

Her Trouble.

"Your wife doesn't look well?"
"She isn't."
"She looks worried?"
"She is."
"What's the trouble?"
"I had the party-line telephone taken out of my house."
"That's a funny thing to worry about."
"Oh, I don't know; she has no way now of finding out what her neighbors are about."—Houston Post.

Like a Woman.

"Did you notice that hat that Mrs. Scrumptious had on at the theater, tonight, Mollie?"
"I should say that I did. It was perfectly horrid, and they say that she brought it from Paris with her."
"Well, I'm just sure that she bought it on one of those little back streets there."—Cincinnati Commercial-Tribune.

Righteously Indignant.

Jenks—The boss told me this morning that I looked as if I had gone to bed with my clothes on. I told him pretty sharply that he was mistaken. Clark—Oh, come now, you know you did it.
Jenks—I did not. These are my brother's clothes.—Philadelphia Press.

Business Is Business.

Woman—What! Twenty cents for that little piece of beef? It's outrageous—it's robbery—it's a shame, but I s'pose I'll have to pay it.
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